Dear Honorable members of The Gun Violence Prevention Group,

I Charles Whatley, born on October 7, 1954, in Hartford, Connecticut, having been endowed by my Creator, certain inalienable rights as written in the Declaration of Independence.

The Government was instituted to secure these rights through The Constitution of The United States, The Bill of Rights, and other Amendments to The Constitution.

At this time I see my God Given Rights, the Second, Fourth, Fifth, Ninth, Tenth, and Fourteenth Amendments of The United States Constitution and my First Article, Declaration of Rights, Section 15 and 20, of The Constitution of Connecticut being infringed upon by other citizens and certain elected officials within our state and federal governments.

These people who I shall refer to as, "GUN - HATERS" are exhibiting irrational responses to real - life situations in an attempt to Blame and Disarm the innocent citizens of our state and nation.

All of the proposed bills that I oppose will adversely affect only the innocent citizens of our state while having no effect on criminal behavior. Those being, HB, 5112, 5268, 5452, 5647, 5651, 5676, and SB, 1, 42, 122, 124, 140, 161, 377, 501, 504, 505, 506.

I am in support of the following bills, HB 5654, 5165, 5176, 5174, 5269, 5561, SB 277, 307, 495, 496 which address, background checks for firearm purchases, self defense, increased criminal penalties, and mental health issues.

Thank You For Your Attention to this matter.

I welcome your comments.

Sincerely,

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